fulla of CIWTC grounded at 14.30 hrs. on 5th October 1989 near Sultanganj.

(b) As soon as the information was received in the Patna Office, a pusher tug was prepared by Director, Patna and despatched to the place of grounding on the 7th October, 1989 which had reached Sultanganj on the 9th October, 1989. A Senior Hydrographic Surveyor, well expereienced in riverine works, had accompanied the tug to assist in the salvage operation.

The Director, IWAI, Patna who had availed of leave during 7th to 16th October, 1989 had applied for the same much earlier and it is with the prior sanction of the competent authority that he had proceeded on leave on 7th October, 1989. In his absence, the Deputy Director, who was also an experitnced Officer was incharge of the office. On return from leave Director, IWAI Patna had also visited the site and guided the operations.

(c) Consequent upon the efforts made to refloat the vessel and salvaging the vessel, it had been brought to the main channel. The total amount of expenditure incurred by the IWAI in dredging and subsequent pumping operation including running expenditure of the vessel, salary of the crew, expenses on conducting hydrographic survey TA, DA to the officers and that by CIWTC for the payment made to the salvage contractor, amounted to about Rs 5 lakhs.

(d) The salvage operations have been undertaken by various methods to refloat the vessel.

As for the circumstances that led to the grounding of the vessel a detailed enquiry has been taken up by IWAI.

**Registration of FIRs in Delhi**

3206. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Police Stations in Delhi do not register FIRs if the offence committed does not fall in their area/jurisdiction;

(b) whether any instructions have been given to them to register such FIRs even if the offence is committed in other areas;

(c) if so, the details in this regard;

(d) whether Government's attention has been drawn to an incident as reported in the Patriot, dated the 26th June, 1990 where complaint had approached the Supreme Court to get necessary help as the police failed to register the FIRs;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the steps taken in the matter against police officers who failed in their duty?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Delhi Police issued instructions in this regard in August 1988, emphasising once again that it is obligatory on the part of SHOs/Duty Officers of all Polce Stations to register a case at their Police Station irrespective of the place of occurrence of the incident. Thereafter, the SHO or the other staff should arrange to transfer the FIR to the concerned Police Station immediately and also inform the complainant.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) and (f) Information is being collected.

**Creation of Posts at Gurgaon Head Post Office**

3207. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to create more posts of Postmen at Gurgaon Head Post Office as there is acute shortage of postmen in the said post office and the dak is not delivered in time; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS

(SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) and (b) There are 27 posts of Postmen at Gurgaon Head Post Office at present and delivery of mails is effected twice a day. Recently nine additional posts of Postmen, found justified as per the Departmental norms, have been sanctioned for Gugaon Head Post Office which will improve the delivery services.

**Civil curfew in Srinagar**

3208. SHRI JAGMOHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state the date-wise details during the period from January 1, 1990 to August 20, 1990 when call for 'civil curfew' was given by the militant/subversive organisations in Srinagar?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): Information is awaited from the State Government.

**STD Facility in Manali in Himachal Pradesh**

3209. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal to connect Manali in Himachal Pradesh which has a good tourist potential, with Delhi and other State capitals with STD facility; and

(b) if so, by when a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) S.T.D. facility at Manali is to be provided during the current plan period.

**Laying More Telephone Cables in Himachal Pradesh**

3210. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to lay more telephone cables and to provide more telephone connections in Himachal Pradesh in view of the ensuing tourist season there;

(b) whether Government are also considering to provide S.T.D. facilities at various tourist spots and thereby linking them with national and State capitals; and

(c) if so, the steps being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Important tourist places in Himachal Pradesh have been identified. It is planned to provide S.T.D. facility at these places in 8th Plan.

**Tele-Film on Eradication of Social Evils**

3211. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are many social problems like dowry, child marriage, sati etc. prevailing in the country;

(b) whether Government propose to prepare telefilms aiming to eradicate these social evils from the society; and

(c) if so, the steps taken or are being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Doordarshan has been regularly telecasting programmes in different formats (including telefilms) with a view to help eradication of social evils prevalent in the country and this is a continuing process.